MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know whether the proposed amalgamation of the two departments is due to the fact that the existence of a separate Development Department is a loss to Government.

DR. S. K. PILLAI: No.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Then why is it amalgamated?

DR. S. K. PILLAI: Because I am going away.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: May I know why he is going away?

PRESIDENT: It is hardly relevant.

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60 ***MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN** (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have made any arrangement for the proper working of the Rubber Factory, Trivandrum; and

(*b*) the amount they have spent for improving the Rubber Factory in 1115?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No amount was spent in 1115 for improving the Rubber Factory.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: May I know whether any improvement was made in 1116?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Yes, Sir.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: What is the total amount spent on such improvement?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The work is in progress. The expenditure incurred is not known now.

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